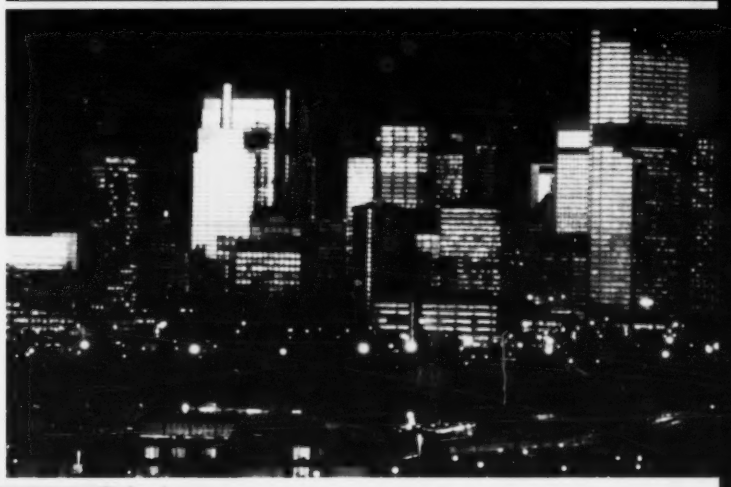

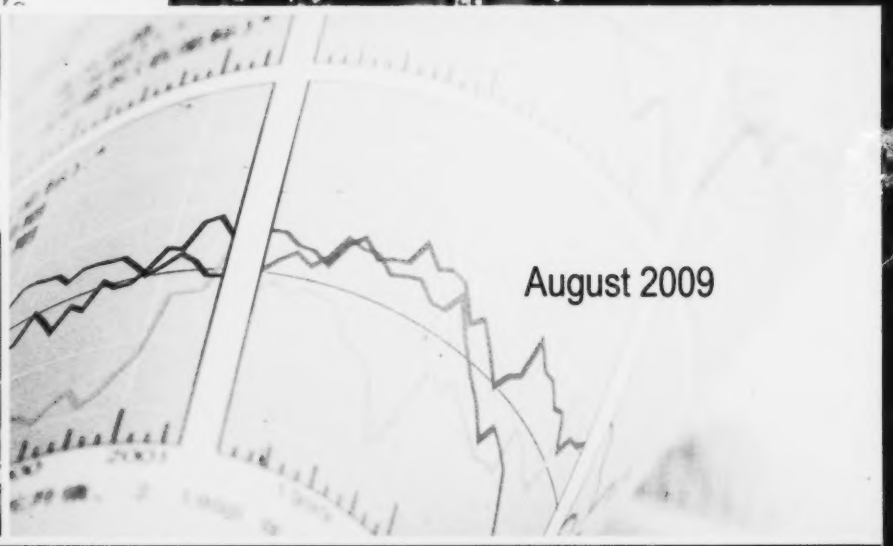

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Alberta

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Current Economic Indicators
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Highlights

Labour Force: Alberta's unemployment rate was 7.2% in July, up 0.4% from the rate registered in June. This was still the third lowest provincial unemployment rate in Canada and well below the national average of 8.6%. The number of people employed in Alberta decreased by 3,700 between June and July, while the number of unemployed people increased by 9,300. Over the past 12 months, the number of people employed fell by 1.3% or by 26,100. The largest employment gains were in business and building services (+12,500), and accommodation and food services (+12,000), while the biggest losses were in manufacturing (-22,500) and construction (-19,700). In May, the number of Albertans receiving regular Employment Insurance benefits increased by 236.3% from May 2008 to 57,010.

Consumer Spending: In May, the value of retail sales fell by 9.6% from May 2008 to $4.6 billion. From January to May 2009, retail trade decreased by 10.0% from the same period last year. In June 2009, the number of Alberta homes sold via the Multiple Listing Service rose 22.2% from the same month in 2008, while vehicle sales decreased by 24.3% over the same period. In June, Albertans paid 1.6% less for the goods and services that comprise the Consumer Price Index (CPI) than they did twelve months ago.

Construction: Alberta urban housing starts fell by 31.3% in July, compared to the same month in 2008. On a year-to-date basis, urban housing starts fell sharply by 57.9% from the same period in 2008: single-detached starts fell 29.6% and multiple starts 77.0%. Municipalities in Alberta issued $843 million in building permits in June, down 28.8% from June 2008. The value of residential building permits fell by 17.5%. In the first half of 2009, the value of Alberta building permits fell 39.7% from the same period last year, to $4.5 billion.

Energy: For the January to April period of 2009, natural gas production fell by 5.1% and crude oil production rose by 1.4%, from the same period in 2008. The number of active drilling rigs in July fell by 66.2% from July 2008 to 85. On a year-to-date basis, the average number of active drilling rigs fell by 48.2% from the same period last year.

Manufacturing: In June, the value of Alberta manufacturing shipments fell 29.5% from June 2008, to $4.5 billion. The food products sector registered the largest increase of 21.0%, followed by beverages (+2.8%). The largest decreases were in petroleum and coal products (-45.0%) and computers and electronics (-42.0%). On a year-to-date basis, Alberta manufacturing shipments fell by 19.9% from the same period in 2008. On a national basis, the value of manufacturing shipments fell by 18.4% over the same period.

Exports: In June, the value of international merchandise exports fell by 39.7%, compared to June 2008, to $5.6 billion. This was a result of a broad based decrease in shipments. During the first half of 2009, Alberta exports decreased by 37.2% from the same period of 2008 to $33.4 billion. Exports of the mining and energy sector dropped by 44.6%, of the manufacturing sector by 19.3% and of primary agriculture by 7.8%.

Incorporations and Bankruptcies: The number of business incorporations decreased by 15.8% between June 2008 and June 2009 to 3,190. On a year-to-date basis, business incorporations fell by 26.3% from the same period in 2008. In June, the number of business bankruptcies decreased by 40.0% to 33 while consumer bankruptcies increased by 102.2% to 1,021. In the first half of 2009, the number of business bankruptcies fell by 10.9% while consumer bankruptcies rose by 84.9% compared to the same period last year.

CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (seasonally adjusted)	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE			JUNE			JULY		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Labour Force (000's)	2,077.6	2,124.9	47.3	2,085.4	2,134.1	48.7	2,088.6	2,139.7	51.1
Calgary	716.7	744.3	27.6	724.5	742.7	18.2	726.8	744.3	17.5
Edmonton	643.3	657.7	14.4	641.2	664.1	22.9	640.2	665.3	25.1
Employed (000's)	2,005.4	1,996.7	-8.7	2,015.8	1,989.5	-26.3	2,011.9	1,985.8	-26.1
Calgary	694.6	701.0	6.4	700.9	693.6	-7.3	702.6	693.0	-9.6
Edmonton	619.1	622.0	2.9	617.3	621.0	3.7	616.3	618.7	2.4
Employment Rate (%)	72.0	70.1	-1.9	72.1	69.5	-2.6	71.9	69.2	-2.7
Calgary	73.9	72.7	-1.2	74.3	71.6	-2.7	74.3	71.3	-3.0
Edmonton	70.5	69.3	-1.2	70.1	68.9	-1.2	69.8	68.4	-1.4
Unemployment (000's)	72.2	128.3	56.1	69.6	144.6	75.0	76.7	153.9	77.2
Calgary	22.1	43.3	21.2	23.7	49.1	25.4	24.2	51.3	27.1
Edmonton	24.2	35.7	11.5	23.9	43.1	19.2	23.8	46.6	22.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	6.0	2.5	3.3	6.8	3.5	3.7	7.2	3.5
Calgary	3.1	5.8	2.7	3.3	6.6	3.3	3.3	6.9	3.6
Edmonton	3.8	5.4	1.6	3.7	6.5	2.8	3.7	7.0	3.3
Participation Rate (%)	74.6	74.6	0.0	74.6	74.5	-0.1	74.6	74.5	-0.1
Calgary	76.2	77.2	1.0	76.8	76.7	-0.1	76.9	76.6	-0.3
Edmonton	73.2	73.2	0.0	72.8	73.6	0.8	72.5	73.6	1.1

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

ADDITIONAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (unadjusted)	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE			JUNE			JULY		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Male Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	7.1	3.6	2.9	6.6	3.7	3.4	7.8	4.4
Female Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	5.3	1.9	2.7	5.8	3.1	4.3	6.9	2.6
Youth Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	12.1	4.6	5.7	11.9	6.2	7.5	13.9	6.4
Working Age Population (000's)	2,785.1	2,849.3	64.2	2,795.1	2,863.8	68.7	2,800.0	2,870.2	70.2
Calgary	940.3	964.1	23.8	943.5	968.8	25.3	945.7	971.6	25.9
Edmonton	878.3	897.8	19.5	880.9	901.9	21.0	882.6	904.2	21.6
Employed (000's)	2,005.0	1,991.2	-13.8	2,056.0	2,024.0	-32.0	2,039.5	2,007.0	-32.5
Full-time	1,681.4	1,634.0	-47.4	1,724.2	1,671.9	-52.3	1,762.2	1,690.6	-71.6
Part-time	323.6	357.3	33.7	331.8	352.2	20.4	277.3	316.7	39.4

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

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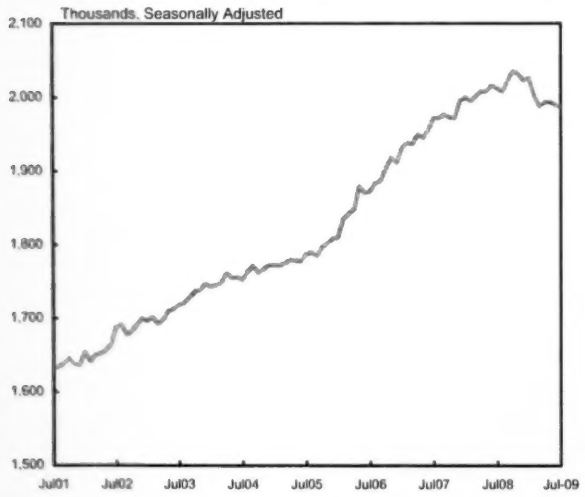

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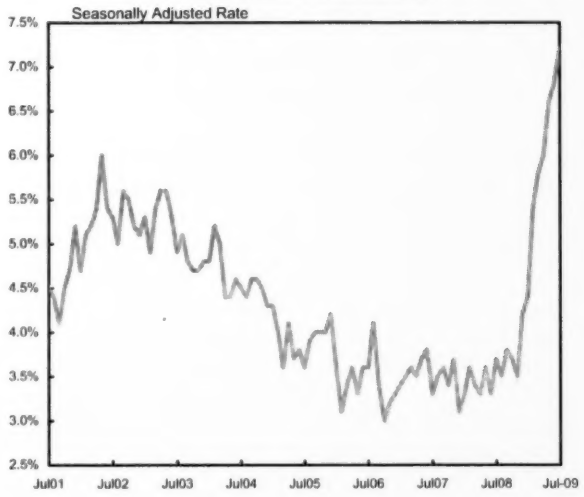

INDUSTRY LABOUR FORCE (unadjusted)	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE			JUNE			JULY		
	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change	2008	2009	Yearly Change
Alberta									
Agriculture									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.3	1.8	0.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.6	n/a
Employed (000's)	59.7	55.2	-4.5	63.1	53.4	-9.7	68.1	56.8	-11.3
Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.0	7.7	4.7	n/a	7.1	n/a	2.1	8.5	6.4
Employed (000's)	143.1	141.2	-1.9	150.6	141.9	-8.7	146.5	143.8	-2.7
Construction									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	10.3	5.8	3.8	8.0	4.2	3.3	8.3	5.0
Employed (000's)	199.4	184.8	-14.6	209.3	193.5	-15.8	212.4	192.7	-19.7
Manufacturing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.8	7.5	5.7	n/a	8.6	n/a	1.7	8.5	6.8
Employed (000's)	138.5	127.1	-11.4	141.1	123.7	-17.4	144.8	122.3	-22.5
Wholesale Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.9	4.9	2.0	n/a	6.6	n/a	1.7	5.9	4.2
Employed (000's)	89.2	74.4	-14.8	88.9	72.7	-16.2	89.1	75.5	-13.6
Retail Trade									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.6	6.0	2.4	3.7	5.3	1.6	3.6	5.7	2.1
Employed (000's)	227.5	229.4	1.9	231.8	223.4	-8.4	235.5	232.2	-3.3
Transportation and Warehousing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.6	5.1	3.5	n/a	5.3	n/a	2.7	6.1	3.4
Employed (000's)	102.1	106.0	3.9	103.4	111.1	7.7	97.1	104.5	7.4
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.4	2.0	0.6	2.3	2.6	0.3	1.8	1.9	0.1
Employed (000's)	113.9	113.5	-0.4	108.8	113.6	4.8	107.9	105.3	-2.6
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.3	4.5	3.2	2.1	5.7	3.6	2.0	5.8	3.8
Employed (000's)	163.0	153.7	-9.3	173.1	147.7	-25.4	169.7	154.5	-15.2
Business, Building and Other Support Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	6.7	3.0	2.4	7.3	4.9	3.8	6.6	2.8
Employed (000's)	64.7	66.1	1.4	65.1	68.5	3.4	65.4	77.9	12.5
Educational Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.2	2.8	0.6	1.8	3.8	2.0	7.0	7.9	0.9
Employed (000's)	125.4	132.5	7.1	128.8	133.8	5.0	101.6	102.8	1.2
Health Care and Social Assistance									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.3	1.7	0.4	1.8	1.9	0.1	2.1	1.8	-0.3
Employed (000's)	193.6	193.2	-0.4	195.3	197.6	2.3	196.2	199.6	3.4
Information, Culture and Recreation									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	6.3	2.0	3.9	5.0	1.1	2.4	5.3	2.9
Employed (000's)	71.8	78.0	6.2	74.8	85.4	10.6	77.5	84.5	7.0
Accommodation and Food Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	6.8	0.9	3.1	6.8	3.7	5.3	7.6	2.3
Employed (000's)	113.5	125.7	12.2	119.4	132.3	12.9	118.6	130.6	12.0
Other Services									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.9	4.5	2.6	1.8	5.0	3.2	2.9	6.7	3.8
Employed (000's)	92.3	97.7	5.4	91.6	101.8	10.2	97.5	104.7	7.2
Public Administration									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.1	1.5	0.4	n/a	1.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	86.2	89.8	3.6	88.9	98.6	9.7	88.8	95.4	6.6

NOTE: "n/a" is reported in instances of insufficient response.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Recipients, seasonally adj.	16,264	41,936	157.8	16,520	48,800	195.4	16,950	57,010	236.3

WAGES AND SALARIES ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	28,239	29,556	4.7	9,415	9,846	4.6	9,492	9,848	3.8

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS ALL EMPLOYEES	JANUARY - MAY AVERAGE			APRIL			MAY		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
$/week, seasonally adjusted	909.28	952.44	4.7	917.31	936.30	2.1	899.57	948.62	5.5

MIGRATION	JANUARY - DECEMBER			OCTOBER - DECEMBER			JANUARY - MARCH		
	2007	2008	Per cent Change	2007	2008	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
International									
Immigration	20,866	24,196	16.0	5,087	5,207	2.4	5,350	5,225	-2.3
Emigration	5,101	5,392	5.7	1,074	1,079	0.5	1,055	1,061	0.6
Returning Canadians	3,119	3,153	1.1	488	488	0.0	527	527	0.0
Temporarily abroad	2,296	2,307	0.5	519	519	0.0	516	516	0.0
Net Non-Permanent Residents	16,743	23,860	42.5	2,308	4,870	111.0	3,830	4,626	20.8
Net international migration	33,331	43,510	30.5	6,290	8,967	42.6	8,136	8,801	8.2
Interprovincial									
In-migration	90,903	101,966	12.2	18,840	20,152	7.0	22,319	24,982	11.9
Out-migration	80,982	81,350	0.5	17,976	13,954	-22.4	19,558	17,838	-8.8
Net Interprovincial migration	9,921	20,616	107.8	864	6,198	617.4	2,761	7,144	158.7

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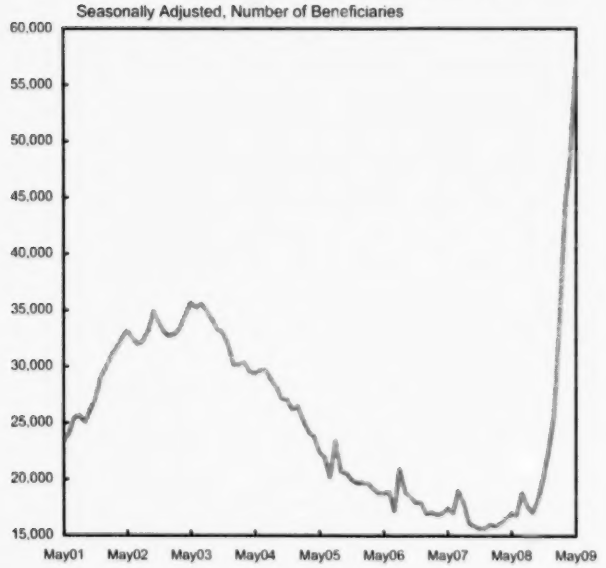


AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

RETAIL TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - MAY 2008	JANUARY - MAY 2009	JANUARY - MAY Per cent Change	APRIL 2008	APRIL 2009	APRIL Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Stores, seasonally adjusted	25,835	23,247	-10.0	5,137	4,619	-10.1	5,137	4,642	-9.6
Motor and Recreational Vehicles	6,928	4,942	-28.7	1,592	988	-37.9	1,589	988	-37.8
Gasoline Service Stations	3,155	2,398	-24.0	628	462	-26.4	715	529	-26.0
Furniture, Furnishings, Electronics	2,047	1,726	-15.7	419	346	-17.5	448	357	-20.2
Building and Outdoor Home Supplies	1,457	1,168	-19.9	297	247	-16.8	409	343	-16.2
Food and Beverage	4,771	4,950	3.7	924	993	7.4	1,082	1,114	3.0
Pharmacies and Personal Care	1,013	956	-5.6	198	190	-4.2	212	199	-6.0
Clothing and Accessories	1,242	1,144	-7.9	250	251	0.5	298	263	-12.0
General Merchandise	2,619	2,644	0.9	532	571	7.4	637	634	-0.5
Miscellaneous Retailers	1,160	1,195	3.0	238	260	9.5	273	279	2.4

Note: The Total All Stores series is seasonally adjusted; the sales by store type series are not seasonally adjusted.

FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES RECEIPTS ($000,000)	JANUARY - MAY 2008	JANUARY - MAY 2009	JANUARY - MAY Per cent Change	APRIL 2008	APRIL 2009	APRIL Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	2,705	2,756	1.9	546	547	0.2	551	557	1.2

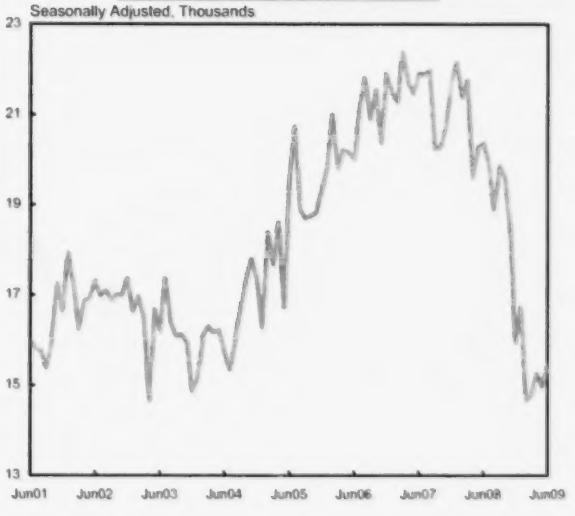
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES	JANUARY - JUNE 2008	JANUARY - JUNE 2009	JANUARY - JUNE Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change	JUNE 2008	JUNE 2009	JUNE Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Number Sold, seasonally adjusted	125,570	91,810	-26.9	20,262	14,971	-26.1	20,376	15,433	-24.3
Total Number Sold, unadjusted	126,643	92,210	-27.2	25,514	18,423	-27.8	22,132	17,306	-21.8
Passenger Vehicles	49,162	31,651	-35.6	10,728	6,772	-36.9	9,847	6,331	-35.7
Trucks	77,481	60,559	-21.8	14,786	11,651	-21.2	12,285	10,975	-10.7

Note: Trucks include minivans, sport-utility vehicles, light and heavy trucks, vans and buses regardless of their intended use. Passenger vehicles also include taxis and rental cars.

WHOLESALE TRADE ($000,000)	JANUARY - MAY 2008	JANUARY - MAY 2009	JANUARY - MAY Per cent Change	APRIL 2008	APRIL 2009	APRIL Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total All Merchants, seasonally adjusted	27,454	25,635	-6.6	5,589	4,980	-10.9	5,811	4,853	-16.5

RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES



MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE (MLS) HOUSING RESALES	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (number)	31,966	28,395	-11.2	5,958	6,235	4.6	6,030	7,368	22.2
Calgary	13,525	12,015	-11.2	2,358	2,624	11.3	2,400	3,057	27.4
Edmonton	9,567	9,740	1.8	1,821	2,161	18.7	1,852	2,551	37.7
Total Value ($000,000)	11,514	9,512	-17.4	2,120	2,116	-0.2	2,193	2,556	16.6
Calgary	5,628	4,549	-19.2	999	1,004	0.5	1,005	1,200	19.4
Edmonton	3,245	3,108	-4.2	614	705	14.8	632	837	32.5

HOUSING STARTS (urban)	JANUARY - JULY			JUNE			JULY		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total	17,387	7,320	-57.9	1,649	1,591	-3.5	2,184	1,501	-31.3
Single Detached	7,000	4,931	-29.6	1,095	956	-12.7	1,155	998	-13.6
All Others*	10,387	2,389	-77.0	554	635	14.6	1,029	503	-51.1
Calgary	8,694	2,736	-68.5	577	434	-24.8	877	755	-13.9
Edmonton	4,547	2,363	-48.0	556	450	-19.1	404	451	11.6

* Includes: two-family, row, and apartment dwellings

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total Value, seasonally adjusted	7,449.3	4,488.6	-39.7	1,303.3	1,109.0	-14.9	1,184.3	843.2	-28.8
Total Value, unadjusted	7,437.4	4,547.0	-38.9	1,415.9	1,153.5	-18.5	1,260.2	944.9	-25.0
Calgary	2,731.8	1,991.8	-27.1	523.2	633.9	21.1	433.3	449.6	3.8
Edmonton	1,935.3	1,413.4	-27.0	381.1	243.2	-36.2	409.3	254.6	-37.8
Residential	3,629.1	1,869.7	-48.5	718.9	365.9	-49.1	552.1	455.7	-17.5
Calgary	1,313.7	675.5	-48.6	201.0	108.9	-45.8	162.4	162.8	0.2
Edmonton	877.4	664.2	-24.3	195.3	130.2	-33.3	147.8	138.8	-6.1
Industrial	718.0	304.0	-57.7	143.3	87.6	-38.9	83.2	41.8	-49.7
Calgary	124.7	24.5	-80.4	13.2	3.2	-75.7	6.3	8.6	34.8
Edmonton	198.5	121.0	-39.1	57.7	3.0	-94.8	18.3	19.9	8.3
Commercial	2,339.2	1,354.1	-42.1	471.3	239.0	-49.3	449.4	285.4	-36.5
Calgary	1,079.8	639.0	-40.8	269.8	124.8	-53.7	251.5	171.5	-31.8
Edmonton	556.7	486.5	-12.6	107.2	68.9	-35.8	91.8	63.5	-30.8
Institutional/Government	751.2	1,019.2	35.7	82.4	461.0	459.6	175.5	162.1	-7.7
Calgary	213.6	652.9	205.7	39.2	396.9	912.0	13.0	106.7	718.5
Edmonton	302.6	141.7	-53.2	20.8	41.1	97.8	151.4	32.4	-78.6

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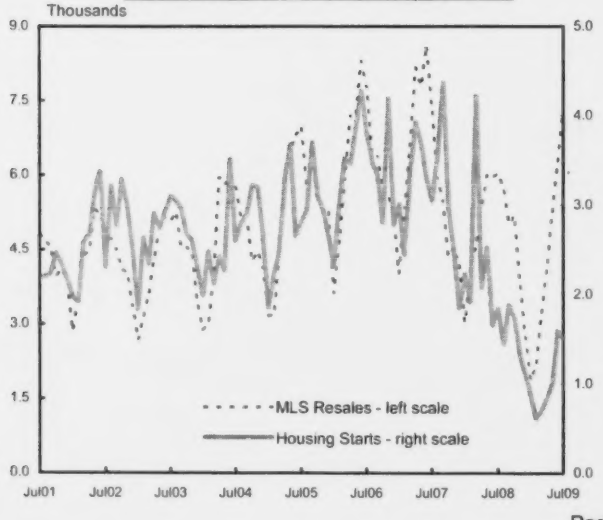

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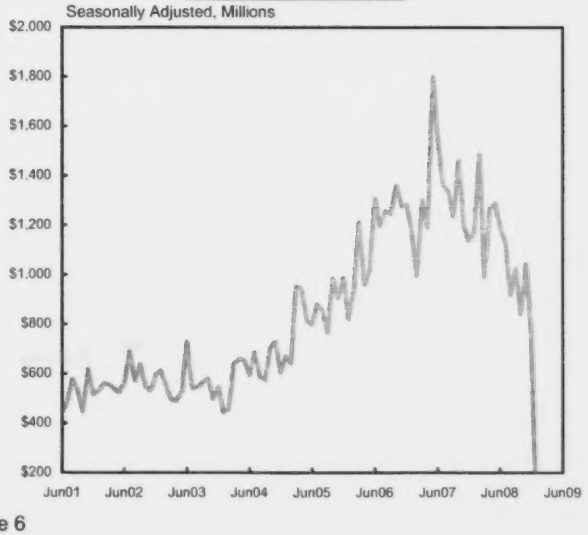
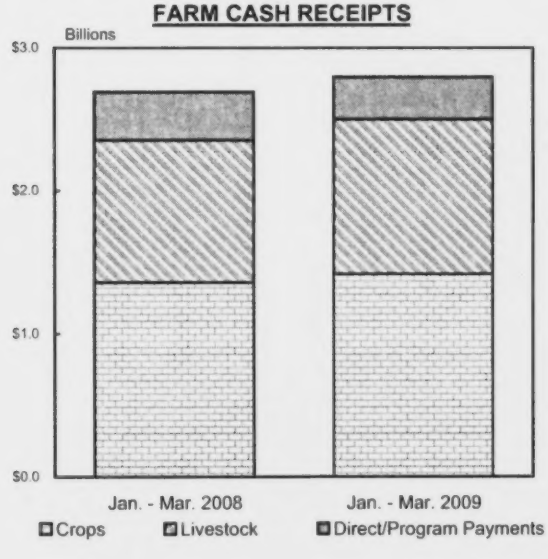


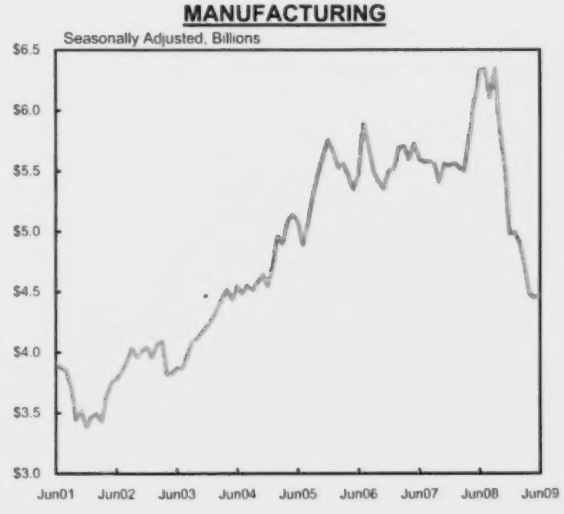
MANUFACTURING (Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture $000,000)	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total, seasonally adjusted	34,926.5	27,978.6	-19.9	6,074.4	4,451.0	-26.7	6,335.1	4,465.7	-29.5
Total, unadjusted	34,340.2	27,223.0	-20.7	6,385.7	4,617.9	-27.7	6,410.6	4,698.9	-26.7
Food Products	5,256.0	5,852.8	11.4	944.1	1,101.9	16.7	938.6	1,136.0	21.0
Beverages	354.1	353.0	-0.3	74.3	64.0	-13.9	78.0	80.2	2.8
Plastics & Rubber Products	721.5	520.6	-27.8	130.0	85.7	-34.0	135.2	94.8	-29.9
Metal Fabricating	2,757.0	2,344.9	-14.9	472.4	333.3	-29.5	509.0	381.0	-25.1
Printing & Publishing	439.5	433.7	-1.3	70.4	71.3	1.2	70.4	71.3	1.3
Non-Metallic Mineral Products	1,070.9	779.9	-27.2	212.1	150.2	-29.2	232.4	187.3	-19.4
Petroleum & Coal Products	8,670.0	5,566.9	-35.8	1,685.9	935.3	-44.5	1,782.3	980.0	-45.0
Chemicals & Chemical Products	6,833.9	4,650.5	-31.9	1,345.1	888.4	-34.0	1,231.8	736.2	-40.2
Wood	1,177.0	867.4	-26.3	217.2	139.1	-36.0	212.4	158.3	-25.5
Furniture and Fixtures	467.1	374.4	-19.9	83.5	64.6	-22.6	76.9	65.5	-14.7
Paper & Allied	946.9	745.0	-21.3	173.5	107.0	-38.3	148.7	138.1	-7.1
Computers & Electronics	467.8	349.8	-25.2	66.5	31.6	-52.5	74.1	43.0	-42.0
Transportation Equipment	352.7	257.5	-27.0	59.0	37.0	-37.3	53.7	47.9	-10.7
Machinery	3,046.5	2,528.5	-17.0	532.0	361.5	-32.0	530.5	343.7	-35.2
Other Manufacturing*	2,133.4	1,951.0	-8.6	393.9	311.0	-21.1	414.9	315.8	-23.9

*Other Manufacturing is derived residually, by deducting the sum of the above industries from the total for all manufacturing (includes Primary Metal sector)

AGRICULTURE Farm Cash Receipts ($000,000)	JANUARY - MARCH			OCTOBER - DECEMBER			JANUARY - MARCH		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2007	2008	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total From Operations	2,691.0	2,796.2	3.9	2,160.2	2,367.8	9.6	2,691.0	2,796.2	3.9
Crops	1,355.9	1,416.5	4.5	923.7	1,077.7	16.7	1,355.9	1,416.5	4.5
Wheat, other than Durum	94.9	51.5	-45.8	175.9	309.1	75.8	94.9	51.5	-45.8
Durum Wheat	102.5	77.4	-24.4	75.1	50.3	-33.0	102.5	77.4	-24.4
Barley	472.3	508.7	7.7	114.9	80.9	-29.6	472.3	508.7	7.7
Canola	335.2	538.3	60.6	335.2	538.0	60.5	335.2	538.3	60.6
Livestock	997.6	1,082.7	8.5	1,010.0	1,078.4	6.8	997.6	1,082.7	8.5
Cattle and Calves	705.7	770.0	9.1	710.9	748.8	5.3	705.7	770.0	9.1
Hogs	87.1	100.1	14.9	85.3	101.7	19.3	87.1	100.1	14.9
Dairy Products	110.6	113.7	2.8	113.0	119.6	5.9	110.6	113.7	2.8
Poultry	58.9	61.1	3.6	58.4	66.6	14.1	58.9	61.1	3.6
Direct/Program Payments	337.5	297.0	-12.0	226.5	211.7	-6.5	337.5	297.0	-12.0

Note: Wheat, Durum Wheat and Barley receipts include Canadian Wheat Board payments.





ENERGY PRODUCTION AND DELIVERIES	JANUARY - APRIL 2007	JANUARY - APRIL 2008	JANUARY - APRIL Per cent Change	MARCH 2007	MARCH 2008	MARCH Per cent Change	APRIL 2008	APRIL 2009	APRIL Per cent Change
Alberta									
Natural Gas									
Production (million m^3)	55,103	52,287	-5.1	13,773	13,215	-4.1	12,981	12,274	-5.4
Deliveries (million m^3)	47,727	45,427	-4.8	12,248	11,542	-5.8	10,751	10,173	-5.4
Crude Oil and Equivalents*									
Production ('000 m^3)	35,453	35,951	1.4	9,302	9,355	0.6	8,582	8,574	-0.1
Deliveries ('000 m^3)	36,690	35,423	-3.5	9,173	9,456	3.1	8,886	7,995	-10.0

*Includes Conventional Light/Medium/Heavy, Bitumen, Synthetic, Condensate and Pentanes Plus.

RIG ACTIVITY	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE 2008	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE 2009	JANUARY - JULY AVERAGE Per cent Change	JUNE 2008	JUNE 2009	JUNE Per cent Change	JULY 2008	JULY 2009	JULY Per cent Change
Alberta									
Rig Counts									
Drilling	228	118	-48.2	136	59	-56.6	250	85	-66.2
Available	683	612	-10.4	679	604	-11.0	662	601	-9.1

ENERGY PRICES	ANNUAL AVERAGES 2007	ANNUAL AVERAGES 2008	2008 APR	2008 MAY	2008 JUN	2009 APR	2009 MAY	2009 JUN	Annual % Change
West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil Price (US$/Barrel)	72.32	99.66	112.46	125.46	134.04	49.95	59.21	69.70	-48.0
Natural Gas Reference Price (C$/GJ)	5.88	7.47	8.11	8.92	9.81	3.41	3.13	2.97	-64.9

Note: Annual % Change is a comparison of the latest month for which data are available with the same month of the previous year.

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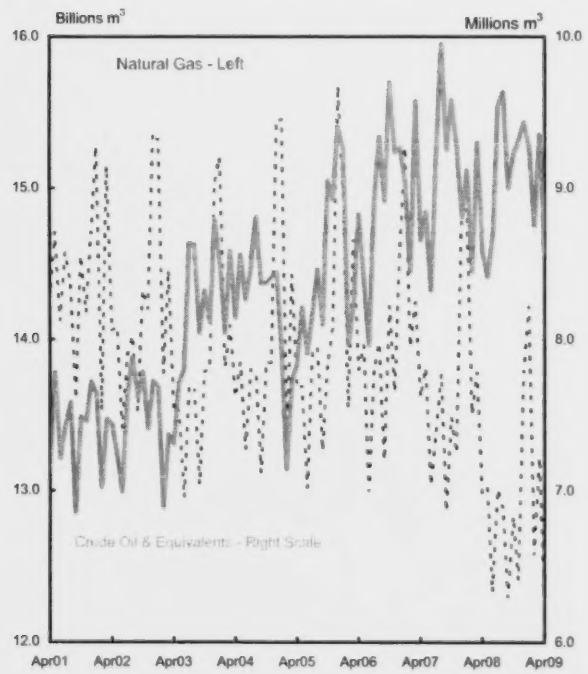

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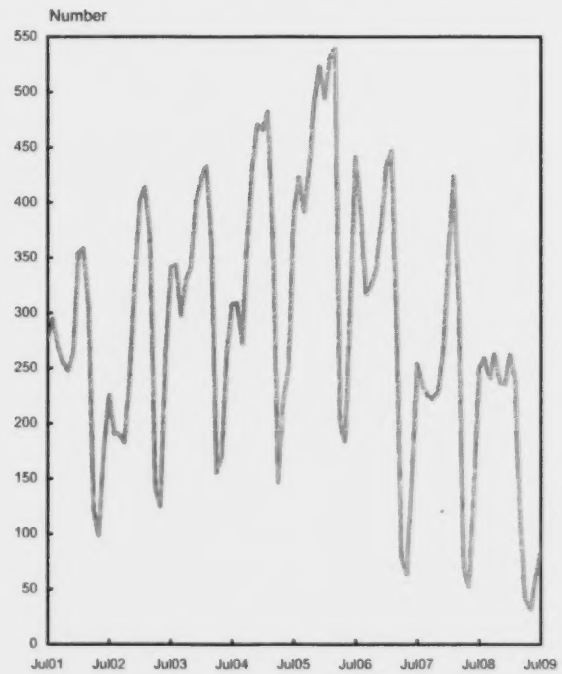

EXPORTS By Industry ($000,000)	JANUARY - JUNE 2008	JANUARY - JUNE 2009	JANUARY - JUNE Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change	JUNE 2008	JUNE 2009	JUNE Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all industries	53,201.3	33,396.0	-37.2	9,171.4	4,954.4	-46.0	9,288.0	5,602.7	-39.7
Primary Agriculture	2,562.5	2,362.6	-7.8	499.0	397.4	-20.4	370.8	316.7	-14.6
Mining & Energy	38,798.5	21,476.2	-44.6	6,620.9	3,014.8	-54.5	6,840.9	3,798.6	-44.5
Crude oil	21,262.4	12,300.3	-42.2	3,597.5	1,667.3	-53.7	3,965.1	2,892.3	-27.1
Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids	16,189.3	8,643.9	-46.6	2,633.5	1,237.6	-53.0	2,575.6	839.5	-67.4
Other Mining and Energy	1,346.8	532.0	-60.5	389.9	109.9	-71.8	300.2	66.8	-77.8
Manufacturing	11,382.5	9,191.0	-19.3	1,963.4	1,478.7	-24.7	1,990.5	1,423.4	-28.5
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal Products	4,580.0	3,171.7	-30.7	773.1	535.6	-30.7	804.2	473.8	-41.1
Paper & Wood Products	1,070.2	860.9	-19.6	187.3	136.3	-27.2	198.0	142.8	-27.9
Primary & Fabricated Metal Products	1,423.9	874.8	-38.6	210.2	155.6	-26.0	291.8	142.8	-51.0
Machinery & Transportation Equipment	1,780.8	1,916.4	7.6	338.8	307.6	-9.2	300.6	306.3	1.9
Food, Feed & Beverage	1,534.8	1,623.4	5.8	289.5	239.4	-17.3	232.3	251.2	8.2
Other Manufacturing	992.7	743.9	-25.1	164.4	104.2	-36.7	163.7	106.6	-34.9
Other Exports	457.8	366.1	-20.0	88.1	63.5	-27.9	85.8	63.9	-25.4

EXPORTS Top 10 Countries ($000,000)	JANUARY - JUNE 2008	JANUARY - JUNE 2009	JANUARY - JUNE Per cent Change	MAY 2008	MAY 2009	MAY Per cent Change	JUNE 2008	JUNE 2009	JUNE Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total - all countries	53,201.3	33,396.0	-37.2	9,171.4	4,954.4	-46.0	9,288.0	5,602.7	-39.7
United States	46,257.7	27,831.0	-39.8	7,848.7	3,981.4	-49.3	8,100.6	4,707.3	-41.9
China	1,955.9	1,303.2	-33.4	399.0	266.0	-33.3	302.3	211.6	-30.0
Japan	443.6	553.3	24.7	104.4	108.1	3.6	90.4	114.6	26.8
Mexico	1,010.4	789.4	-21.9	186.8	129.0	-30.9	192.3	112.7	-41.4
Korea, South	242.0	246.1	1.7	29.8	38.8	30.1	44.0	36.6	-16.9
Netherlands	160.7	122.5	-23.7	12.3	8.2	-33.6	37.6	14.4	-61.6
Australia	211.4	120.7	-42.9	22.3	30.8	38.1	60.3	14.0	-76.8
Russia	92.4	110.2	19.3	6.9	10.5	51.1	16.1	21.4	32.6
Indonesia	104.3	109.1	4.6	35.8	22.0	-38.5	10.0	19.7	96.8
United Arab Emirates	169.2	101.3	-40.1	43.3	22.7	-47.6	15.4	23.0	49.2
All Other Countries	2,553.7	2,109.1	-17.4	482.0	337.0	-30.1	419.0	327.3	-21.9

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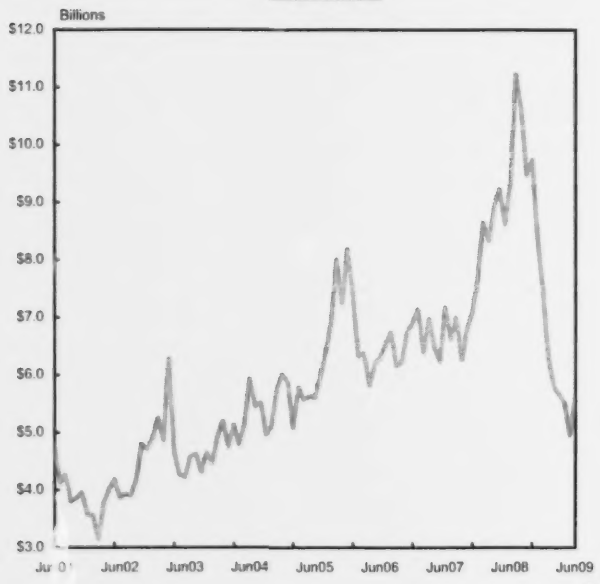

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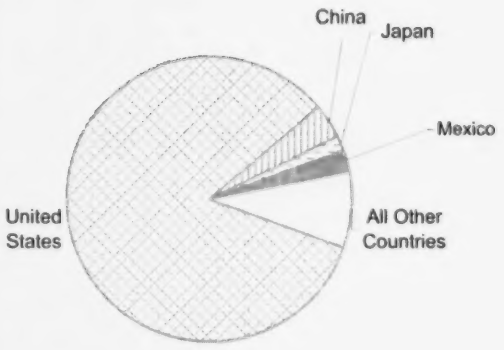

BANKRUPTCIES	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Business (number)	230	205	-10.9	28	34	21.4	55	33	-40.0
Consumer (number)	2,736	5,059	84.9	455	847	86.2	505	1,021	102.2

BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Number of Business Incorporations	23,625	17,421	-26.3	3,886	2,700	-30.5	3,790	3,190	-15.8
Alberta Corporations	22,115	16,207	-26.7	3,616	2,509	-30.6	3,524	2,978	-15.5
Non-Alberta Corporations	1,510	1,214	-19.6	270	191	-29.3	266	212	-20.3

INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS, NON-RESIDENTS ENTERING ALBERTA	JANUARY - MAY			APRIL			MAY		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
Alberta									
Total (includes same-day)	299,621	287,209	-4.1	53,825	55,069	2.3	80,186	75,653	-5.7
Total (excludes same-day)	286,353	274,202	-4.2	51,448	52,593	2.2	76,685	72,353	-5.6
U.S.A. (excludes same-day)	164,786	165,285	0.3	31,823	32,300	1.5	45,679	44,569	-2.4
United Kingdom	60,065	44,618	-25.7	8,752	8,060	-7.9	12,664	10,096	-20.3
Germany	12,492	13,302	6.5	1,922	1,808	-5.9	4,021	4,229	5.2
Mexico	3,691	7,110	92.6	538	1,977	267.5	752	1,180	56.9
Australia	4,421	4,473	1.2	907	834	-8.0	1,117	1,167	4.5
Netherlands	4,252	3,728	-12.3	725	506	-30.2	1,969	1,882	-4.4
Switzerland	2,034	2,063	1.4	300	345	15.0	451	572	26.8
France	2,036	1,730	-15.0	470	294	-37.4	572	392	-31.5

Figures given are for non-residents entering Alberta directly. Consequently, actual totals will be understated since significant numbers of tourists enter via other provinces.

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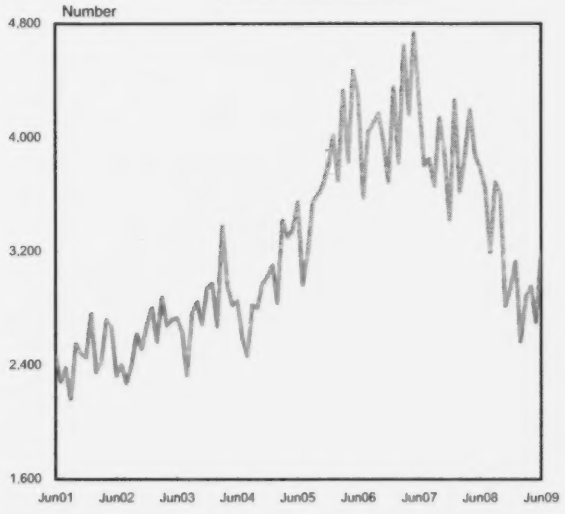

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2006	2007	2008	JUN	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUN'08 - JUN'09
Alberta									
All Items	112.3	117.9	121.6	124.0	120.9	120.4	121.4	122.0	-1.6
Food	107.8	111.4	115.0	114.8	120.9	120.6	121.3	120.8	5.2
Shelter	124.8	140.0	151.1	156.0	148.6	146.3	145.8	146.2	-6.3
Energy	142.7	153.0	172.3	204.6	137.4	131.2	133.5	141.4	-30.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	103.0	104.3	104.8	104.4	107.3	107.2	107.8	107.6	3.1
Transportation	117.1	119.5	121.6	127.4	113.7	113.7	116.1	119.0	-6.6
Recreation, Education & Reading	99.0	100.7	100.4	102.2	98.6	99.5	102.2	106.3	4.0
All Items, excl. Food and Energy	110.3	115.8	118.2	118.3	119.1	119.1	120.0	120.2	1.6
Edmonton	112.0	117.4	121.4	123.7	120.9	120.5	121.6	122.2	-1.2
Calgary	112.3	118.0	121.8	123.9	121.3	120.8	121.5	122.1	-1.5

EXCHANGE RATES (in $Cdn)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2006	2007	2008	JUL	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	JUL'08 - JUL'09
United States	1.1344	1.0740	1.0671	1.0127	1.2240	1.1509	1.1265	1.1223	-9.8
Japan	0.0098	0.0091	0.0104	0.0095	0.0124	0.0119	0.0117	0.0119	-20.5
European Monetary Union.(EURO)	1.4244	1.4690	1.5603	1.5955	1.6158	1.5727	1.5785	1.5820	0.9
United Kingdom	2.0898	2.1475	1.9605	2.0135	1.8010	1.7767	1.8438	1.8365	9.6

INTEREST RATES (Prime Rates)	ANNUAL RATES			2008	2009				% Change
	2006	2007	2008	JUL	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	JUL'08 - JUL'09
Canada	5.81	6.10	4.73	4.75	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	-2.50
United States	7.98	8.00	4.94	5.00	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	-1.75

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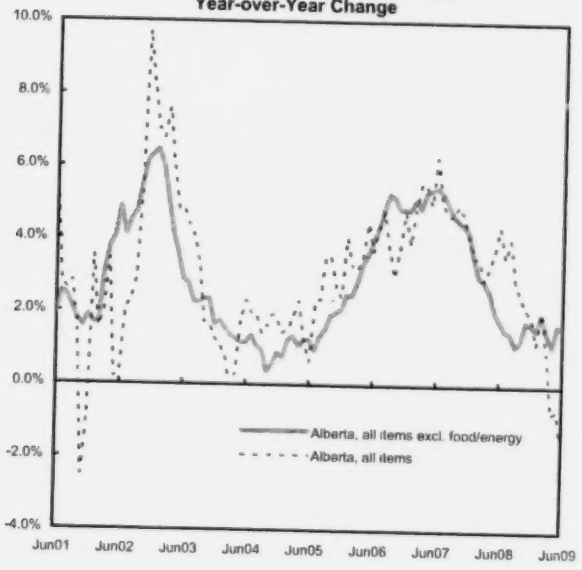

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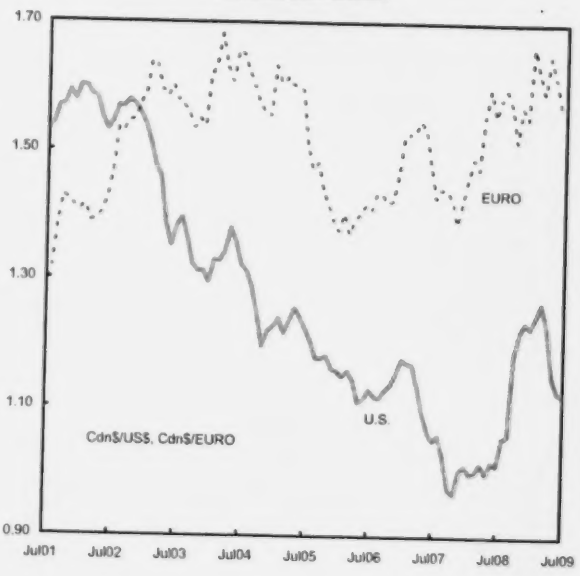

INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
POPULATION ('000s)											
APRIL 1, 2008	508	139	938	747	7,730	12,882	1,203	1,012	3,558	4,361	33,186
APRIL 1, 2009	509	141	939	749	7,799	13,014	1,217	1,027	3,654	4,435	33,593
Percent Change	0.2	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.7	1.7	1.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE* (%)											
JULY 2008	13.5	10.6	6.9	8.7	7.4	6.4	3.7	4.4	3.7	4.5	6.1
JULY 2009	17.1	12.3	9.2	9.4	9.0	9.3	5.2	4.7	7.2	7.8	8.6
EMPLOYED* ('000s)											
JULY 2008	218.4	69.7	455.1	364.9	3,857.1	6,668.4	609.3	506.0	2,011.9	2,321.6	17,082.4
JULY 2009	212.2	69.2	450.9	364.9	3,821.9	6,500.3	607.9	520.1	1,985.8	2,247.1	16,780.3
Percent Change	-2.8	-0.7	-0.9	0.0	-0.9	-2.5	-0.2	2.8	-1.3	-3.2	-1.8
EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE* (Average Number of Beneficiaries)											
JANUARY - MAY 2008	35,066	7,702	26,736	29,878	158,956	130,318	9,842	8,012	16,264	39,028	463,872
JANUARY - MAY 2009	39,178	8,302	31,606	33,796	194,394	226,870	14,102	11,914	41,936	76,184	677,970
Percent Change	11.7	7.8	18.2	13.1	22.3	74.1	43.3	48.7	157.8	95.2	46.2

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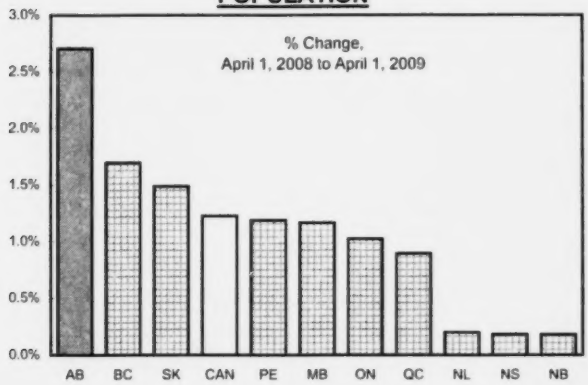

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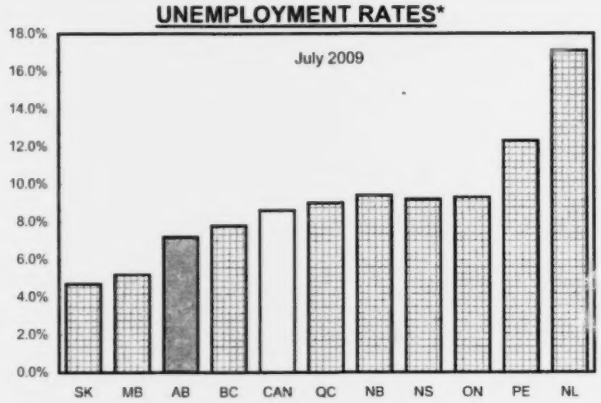

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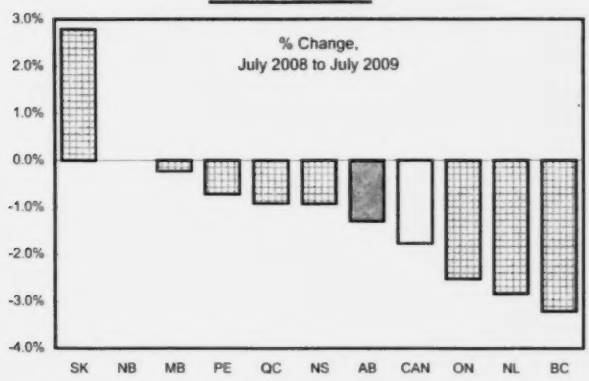

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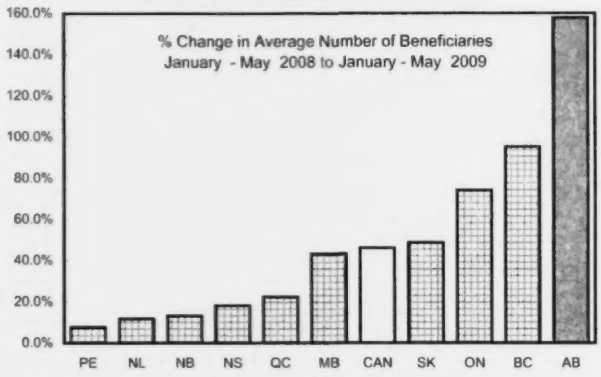

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
WAGES AND SALARIES* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2008	1,953	526	3,925	3,151	34,708	72,045	5,487	4,723	28,239	22,530	178,268
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	2,048	543	4,004	3,195	35,250	72,502	5,632	4,967	29,556	22,544	181,252
Percent Change	4.9	3.3	2.0	1.4	1.6	0.6	2.6	5.2	4.7	0.1	1.7
RETAIL TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MAY 2008	2,903	712	5,067	4,055	39,578	63,563	6,258	5,960	25,835	23,953	178,535
JANUARY - MAY 2009	2,927	704	4,916	3,999	38,343	60,590	6,027	5,780	23,247	21,814	168,965
Percent Change	0.8	-1.1	-3.0	-1.4	-3.1	-4.7	-3.7	-3.0	-10.0	-8.9	-5.4
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES* (Number)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	16,512	2,920	27,620	20,497	230,992	312,785	25,001	25,164	125,570	98,543	885,604
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	13,579	2,526	22,607	16,528	191,094	258,781	21,500	22,009	91,810	72,496	712,930
Percent Change	-17.8	-13.5	-18.1	-19.4	-17.3	-17.3	-14.0	-12.5	-26.9	-26.4	-19.5
WHOLESALE TRADE* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - MAY 2008	1,225	191	2,886	2,147	40,760	107,318	5,721	7,836	27,454	21,801	217,695
JANUARY - MAY 2009	1,440	190	2,879	2,217	39,980	97,141	5,551	7,248	25,635	19,957	202,582
Percent Change	17.6	-0.6	-0.2	3.2	-1.9	-9.5	-3.0	-7.5	-6.6	-8.5	-6.9

Note: New Motor Vehicle Sales for British Columbia include automobile sales for the Canadian Territories.

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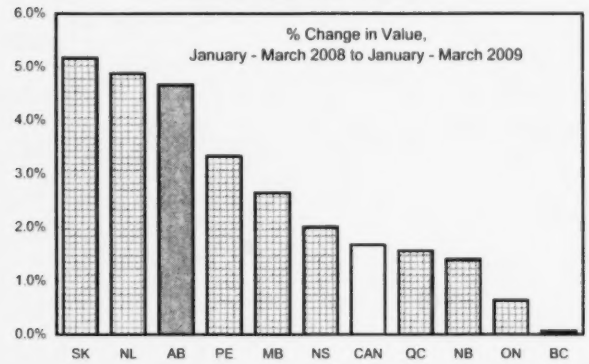

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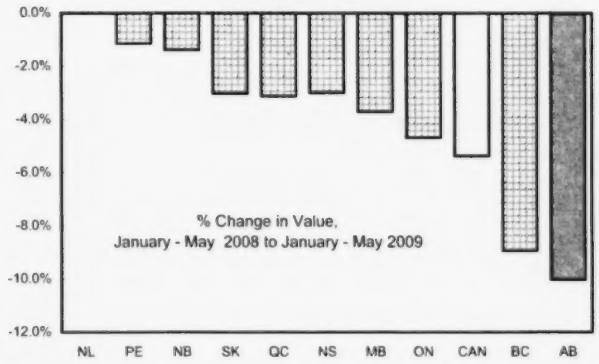

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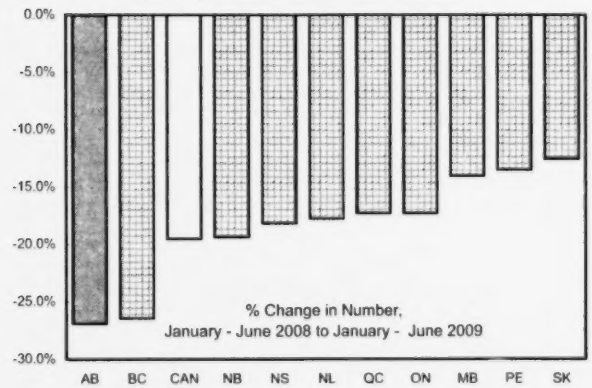

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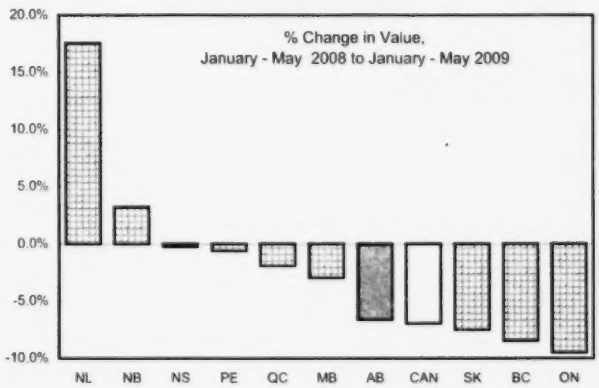

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
URBAN HOUSING STARTS (Number)											
JANUARY - JULY 2008	996	258	1,986	1,785	23,770	40,212	2,094	3,085	17,387	19,955	111,528
JANUARY - JULY 2009	1,011	282	1,220	1,396	18,917	23,780	1,399	1,194	7,320	6,315	62,834
Percent Change	1.5	9.3	-38.6	-21.8	-20.4	-40.9	-33.2	-61.3	-57.9	-68.4	-43.7
BUILDING PERMITS* ($000,000)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	336	110	658	502	6,538	13,575	750	984	7,449	6,095	36,997
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	384	80	636	520	5,993	10,327	736	842	4,489	3,285	27,292
Percent Change	14.3	-27.2	-3.3	3.7	-8.3	-23.9	-1.9	-14.4	-39.7	-46.1	-26.2
MANUFACTURING* (value of shipments of goods of own manufacture, $000,000)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	3,504	704	5,400	9,769	75,201	139,140	7,941	5,889	34,927	20,275	302,793
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	1,991	695	4,467	6,909	64,073	108,975	7,475	5,509	27,979	16,402	244,503
Percent Change	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
AGRICULTURE (Farm Cash Receipts from farming operations $000,000)											
JANUARY - MARCH 2008	31	101	142	113	1,522	2,268	1,349	2,797	2,691	556	11,570
JANUARY - MARCH 2009	30	121	148	134	1,620	2,242	1,403	2,834	2,796	586	11,915
Percent Change	-0.5	20.2	4.3	18.2	6.4	-1.1	4.0	1.3	3.9	5.5	3.0

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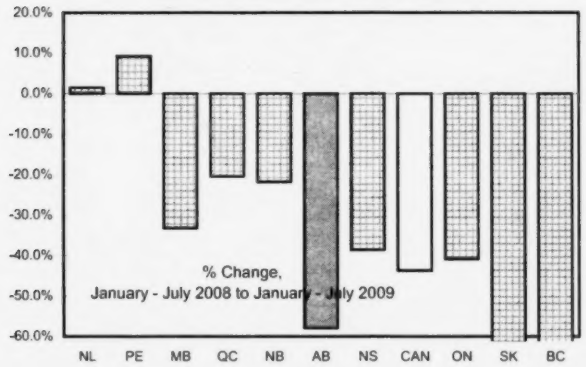

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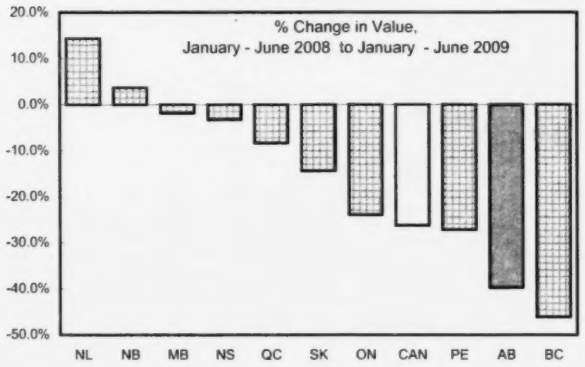

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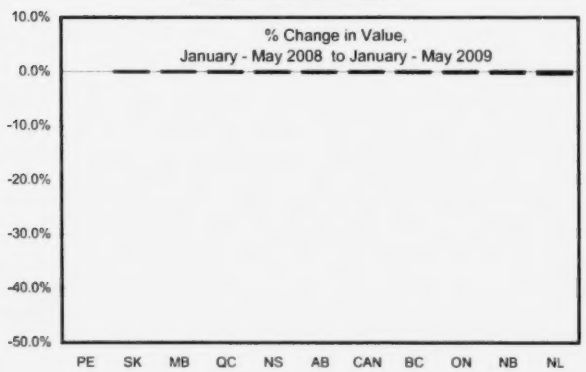

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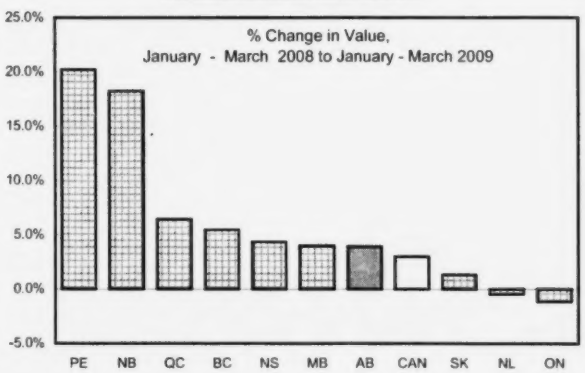

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INTERPROVINCIAL COMPARISONS OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
EXPORTS ($000,000)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	6,838	398	2,771	6,833	34,152	83,372	6,379	13,933	53,201	15,919	224,979
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	3,985	415	2,182	4,926	28,604	61,631	5,484	10,974	33,396	12,406	164,741
Percent Change	-41.7	4.2	-21.3	-27.9	-16.2	-26.1	-14.0	-21.2	-37.2	-22.1	-26.8
CONSUMER BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	1,080	200	1,962	1,253	13,836	16,796	971	687	2,736	3,335	42,878
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	1,369	254	2,211	1,559	17,671	23,451	1,255	933	5,059	5,400	59,201
Percent Change	26.8	27.0	12.7	24.4	27.7	39.6	29.2	35.8	84.9	61.9	38.1
BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES (Number)											
JANUARY - JUNE 2008	25	7	96	108	1,117	1,334	64	82	230	202	3,270
JANUARY - JUNE 2009	20	13	88	54	1,036	1,157	41	92	205	232	2,939
Percent Change	-20.0	85.7	-8.3	-50.0	-7.3	-13.3	-35.9	12.2	-10.9	14.9	-10.1
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)											
JUNE 2008	115.4	119.5	117.8	114.5	114.1	114.2	114.4	117.0	124.0	113.6	115.4
JUNE 2009	115.8	118.5	116.5	114.5	114.3	114.2	115.1	118.2	122.0	112.8	115.1
Percent Change	0.3	-0.8	-1.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.6	1.0	-1.6	-0.7	-0.3

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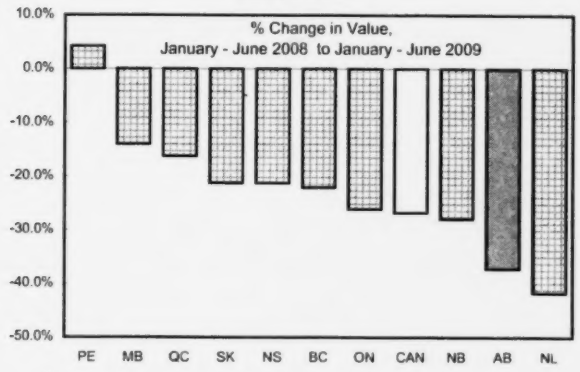

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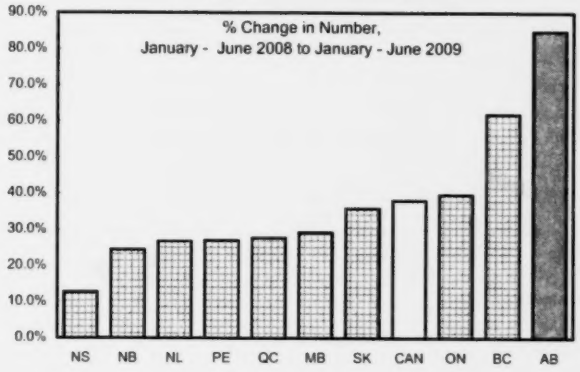

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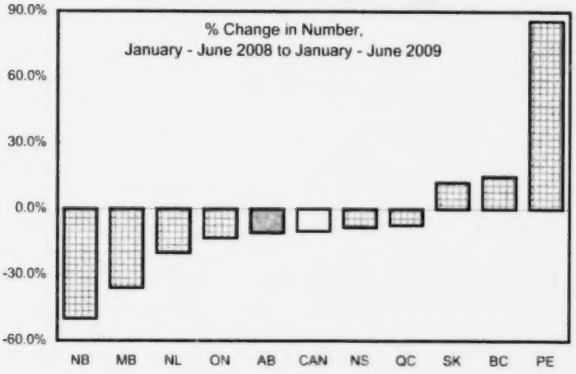

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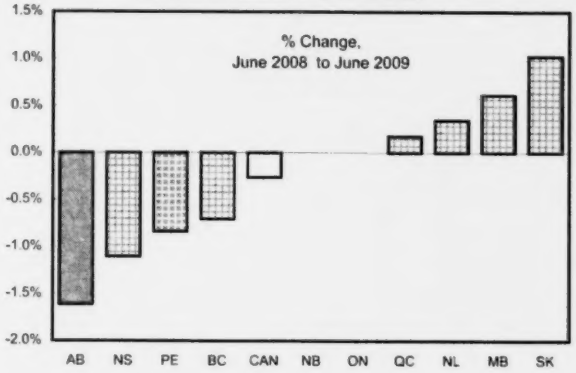

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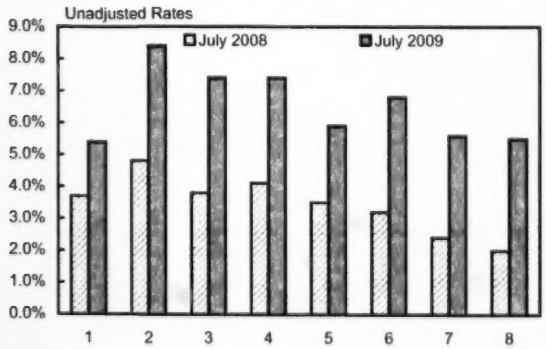
REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE, ALBERTA REGIONS (unadjusted, 3-month moving average)	July 2008	July 2009
Labour Force (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	72.9	72.6
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	141.7	144.4
3) Edmonton Region	675.1	698.3
4) Red Deer Region	109.4	112.9
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	54.6	55.9
6) Calgary Region	793.9	814.6
7) Camrose - Drumheller	116.9	114.7
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	147.7	146.0
Employed (000s)		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	70.2	68.7
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	134.9	132.3
3) Edmonton Region	649.3	646.7
4) Red Deer Region	104.9	104.4
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	52.8	52.6
6) Calgary Region	768.4	759.6
7) Camrose - Drumheller	114.0	108.4
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	144.8	137.9
Unemployment Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	3.7%	5.4%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	4.8%	8.4%
3) Edmonton Region	3.8%	7.4%
4) Red Deer Region	4.1%	7.4%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	3.5%	5.9%
6) Calgary Region	3.2%	6.8%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	2.4%	5.6%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	2.0%	5.5%
Participation Rate		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	78.6%	76.6%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	76.1%	75.8%
3) Edmonton Region	73.6%	74.3%
4) Red Deer Region	74.9%	75.0%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	79.7%	80.3%
6) Calgary Region	77.8%	77.6%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	75.2%	73.3%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	70.7%	68.8%

Population (July 1, 2008)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	129,767
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	257,772
3) Edmonton Region	1,168,886
4) Red Deer Region	190,892
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	89,037
6) Calgary Region	1,271,960
7) Camrose - Drumheller	201,089
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	275,739
5-year Population Growth (2003-2008)	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	14.6%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	10.4%
3) Edmonton Region	13.2%
4) Red Deer Region	16.8%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	7.1%
6) Calgary Region	16.0%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	6.3%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	10.5%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ALBERTA REGIONS



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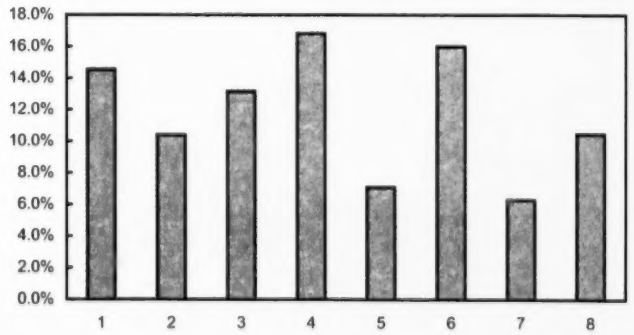


REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

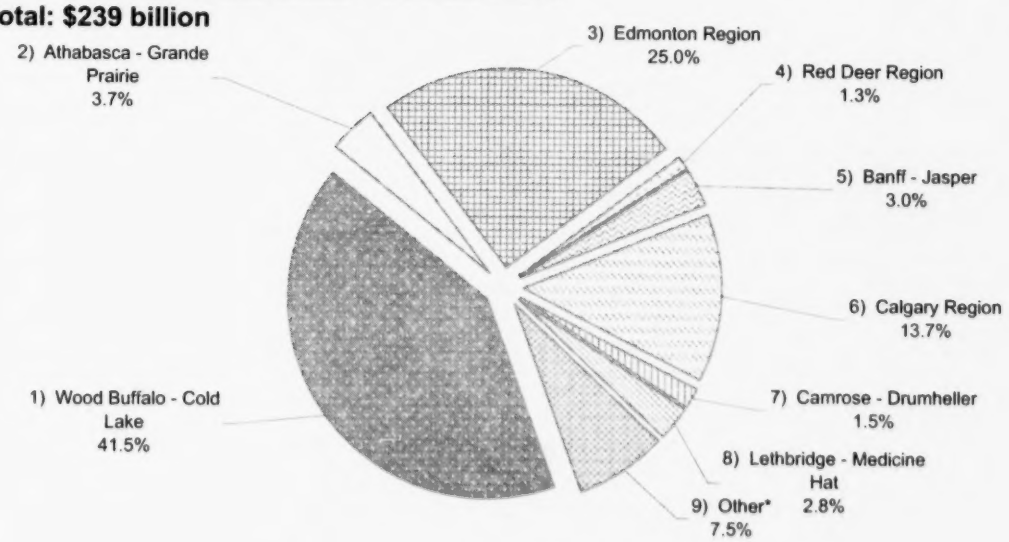
The *Inventory of Major Alberta Projects* tracks projects valued at $5 million or greater that are planned, underway, or have been recently completed.

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	MAY	
Investment ($ 000,000)	2008	2009
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	94,320.2	99,149.2
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	7,143.8	8,760.7
3) Edmonton Region	81,293.8	59,633.5
4) Red Deer Region	2,985.9	3,007.0
5) Banff - Jasper	6,948.5	7,160.3
6) Calgary Region	35,793.0	32,826.6
7) Camrose - Drumheller	6,141.0	3,572.7
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	4,586.7	6,674.4
9) Other*	30,317.0	18,006.9
Total	269,529.9	238,791.3

BUILDING PERMITS ($000,000)	JANUARY - JUNE			MAY			JUNE		
	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change	2008	2009	Per cent Change
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	687.2	85.8	-87.5	149.7	18.7	-87.5	75.7	19.7	-74.0
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	501.6	341.4	-31.9	103.7	112.4	8.4	98.1	67.1	-31.6
3) Edmonton Region	1,989.4	1,430.0	-28.1	396.5	245.1	-38.2	418.4	257.9	-38.4
4) Red Deer Region	290.7	142.3	-51.0	41.7	28.1	-32.7	64.2	30.2	-53.0
5) Banff - Jasper	177.5	27.9	-84.3	41.8	6.2	-85.1	25.0	9.8	-60.9
6) Calgary Region	2,959.2	2,057.4	-30.5	561.2	647.5	15.4	459.0	467.2	1.8
7) Camrose - Drumheller	433.1	212.8	-50.9	70.7	45.1	-36.1	63.0	45.7	-27.4
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	398.8	249.4	-37.5	50.5	50.3	-0.3	56.9	47.4	-16.8
Total	7,437.6	4,547.0	-38.9	1,415.9	1,153.5	-18.5	1,260.4	944.9	-25.0

MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (MAY 2009)

Total: $239 billion


3) Edmonton Region 25.0%
4) Red Deer Region 1.3%
5) Banff - Jasper 3.0%
6) Calgary Region 13.7%
7) Camrose - Drumheller 1.5%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat 2.8%
9) Other* 7.5%
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake 41.5%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie 3.7%

Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Unemployment Rate* (%)	Employed* (000's)	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries*	Wages and Salaries* ($000,000)	Average Weekly Earnings* ($)	Retail Trade* ($000,000)	Food/Drinking Places Receipts ($000,000)	New Motor Vehicle Sales* (#)	Wholesale Trade* ($000,000)
1999	5.7	1,544	35,962	49,264	644.01	29,454	3,681	160,838	29,717
2000	5.0	1,584	27,391	54,624	663.00	31,738	4,064	175,545	33,255
2001	4.6	1,631	25,559	61,355	676.07	34,560	4,502	187,862	35,571
2002	5.3	1,671	32,489	63,400	693.35	37,663	4,644	204,805	36,987
2003	5.1	1,717	33,931	66,266	717.26	39,318	4,762	194,451	39,967
2004	4.6	1,758	28,869	72,707	741.06	43,372	5,067	196,153	44,966
2005	3.9	1,785	22,378	82,878	783.90	48,493	5,492	222,361	52,266
Jan06	3.6	1,809	19,690	7,486	810.64	4,424	493	19,855	4,756
Feb06	3.1	1,835	19,630	7,593	822.55	4,500	498	20,993	4,862
Mar06	3.4	1,842	19,160	7,676	811.93	4,436	488	19,804	4,918
Apr06	3.6	1,847	18,760	7,791	822.06	4,644	494	20,229	4,933
May06	3.3	1,879	18,740	7,859	826.06	4,577	496	20,160	4,901
Jun06	3.6	1,870	18,840	7,940	809.99	4,634	501	20,010	4,935
Jul06	3.6	1,873	17,180	8,028	818.97	4,720	505	21,143	4,889
Aug06	4.1	1,883	20,830	8,097	818.42	4,812	507	21,807	4,924
Sep06	3.4	1,887	18,890	8,165	827.90	4,734	521	20,893	4,918
Oct06	3.0	1,903	18,460	8,233	843.42	4,805	521	21,555	4,876
Nov06	3.2	1,918	17,910	8,358	822.48	4,794	531	20,383	4,955
Dec06	3.3	1,911	17,920	8,453	845.74	4,863	544	21,899	5,109
Avg./Sum	3.4	1,871	18,834	95,678	823.35	55,942	6,099	248,731	58,977
Jan07	3.4	1,931	16,960	8,559	855.18	4,938	537	21,497	5,134
Feb07	3.5	1,938	17,020	8,602	854.35	4,959	544	21,269	5,135
Mar07	3.6	1,936	16,810	8,645	851.10	5,078	561	22,372	5,302
Apr07	3.5	1,949	16,950	8,692	857.90	5,054	537	21,720	4,981
May07	3.7	1,945	17,390	8,745	850.02	5,147	529	21,461	4,903
Jun07	3.8	1,956	16,980	8,877	875.04	5,168	529	21,907	5,141
Jul07	3.3	1,971	18,890	8,936	879.13	5,157	524	21,886	5,179
Aug07	3.5	1,971	17,850	8,965	863.20	5,104	531	21,968	5,194
Sep07	3.6	1,976	16,100	9,047	889.66	5,075	549	20,239	5,199
Oct07	3.4	1,972	15,860	9,136	898.93	5,080	544	20,284	5,240
Nov07	3.7	1,972	15,610	9,193	887.01	5,189	544	20,728	5,266
Dec07	3.1	1,995	15,640	9,257	891.19	5,209	537	21,719	5,266
Avg./Sum	3.5	1,959	16,838	106,654	871.06	61,156	6,467	257,050	61,939
Jan08	3.3	1,999	15,970	9,332	885.77	5,178	533	22,162	5,196
Feb08	3.6	1,995	15,820	9,415	924.01	5,160	530	21,390	5,382
Mar08	3.4	2,001	16,060	9,492	919.75	5,195	546	21,764	5,476
Apr08	3.3	2,007	16,520	9,521	917.31	5,102	546	19,616	5,589
May08	3.6	2,008	16,950	9,556	899.57	5,113	551	20,262	5,811
Jun08	3.3	2,016	16,800	9,650	923.07	5,149	564	20,376	5,659
Jul08	3.7	2,012	18,770	9,666	906.46	5,106	560	19,895	5,826
Aug08	3.5	2,007	17,590	9,769	923.47	5,094	568	18,873	6,124
Sep09	3.8	2,022	17,060	9,854	946.70	5,144	577	19,874	5,985
Oct08	3.7	2,035	18,240	9,878	930.75	5,081	569	19,614	6,092
Nov08	3.5	2,032	20,110	9,914	954.05	4,943	566	18,539	5,887
Dec08	4.2	2,023	22,530	9,928	947.61	4,708	539	15,967	5,638
Avg./Sum	3.6	2,013	17,702	115,975	923.21	60,975	6,648	238,332	68,664
Jan09	4.4	2,026	25,680	9,862	947.96	**4,730**	553	16,718	5,494
Feb09	5.4	2,002	34,180	9,846	965.26	**4,677**	**557**	14,672	**5,240**
Mar09	5.8	1,987	**44,010**	9,848	964.08	**4,579**	**542**	**14,814**	**5,070**
Apr09	6.0	1,993	**48,800**		**936.30**	**4,619**	**547**	**15,257**	**4,980**
May09	6.6	1,994	**57,010**		**948.62**	**4,642**	**557**	**14,971**	**4,853**
Jun09	6.8	1,990						**15,433**	
Jul09	**7.2**	**1,986**							
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	MLS Housing Resales (#)	Housing Starts (#, urban)	Building Permits ($000,000)			Manufacturing Shipments* ($000,000)	Energy Production		Rigs Drilling (#)
			Alberta	Calgary	Edmonton		Oil/Equiv. (Tsds m^3)	Gas (Mlns m^3)	
1999	42,684	20,216	4,802	1,917	1,124	37,096	89,066	175,279	210
2000	43,311	21,506	5,296	2,287	1,249	44,430	89,136	176,146	296
2001	48,989	24,457	5,912	2,309	1,462	45,480	89,365	174,094	298
2002	51,042	32,729	6,847	2,714	1,797	45,407	89,885	170,828	231
2003	51,334	32,066	6,667	2,819	1,767	48,072	95,311	166,623	314
2004	57,460	32,188	7,327	2,857	2,028	53,608	101,007	167,676	331
2005	65,866	34,301	10,202	3,921	2,904	60,439	98,879	168,327	381
Jan06	4,686	**2,318**	644	254	209	5,514	9,260	14,952	495
Feb06	5,933	**3,045**	797	337	218	5,332	7,967	13,554	531
Mar06	7,189	**3,526**	1,248	594	281	5,358	8,231	14,653	540
Apr06	7,182	**3,463**	1,014	396	270	5,313	8,828	13,804	201
May06	8,300	**3,880**	1,189	412	309	5,187	8,397	13,958	184
Jun06	7,786	**4,276**	1,429	458	320	5,262	7,966	13,002	314
Jul06	6,407	**3,796**	1,209	496	251	5,600	8,911	13,805	442
Aug06	6,378	**3,475**	1,334	516	367	5,542	9,338	13,972	391
Sep06	5,624	**3,338**	1,242	564	312	5,368	8,917	13,209	318
Oct06	5,583	**2,801**	1,395	516	355	5,246	9,696	14,218	325
Nov06	5,252	**4,189**	1,269	495	390	5,257	9,239	13,660	340
Dec06	4,030	**2,775**	1,105	442	257	5,404	9,270	14,599	380
Avg./Sum	74,350	40,882	13,876	5,480	3,541	64,382	106,018	167,385	371
Jan07	5,344	**3,010**	1,017	418	333	5,446	9,131	15,266	433
Feb07	6,602	**2,443**	851	316	255	5,595	8,526	13,956	447
Mar07	8,159	**3,353**	1,299	566	334	5,562	9,949	14,244	293
Apr07	7,803	**3,929**	1,271	424	400	5,445	8,786	13,624	79
May07	8,606	**3,684**	2,013	1,116	338	5,465	8,845	13,807	64
Jun07	7,327	**3,306**	1,631	714	418	5,343	8,327	13,042	147
Jul07	5,938	**3,050**	1,391	548	288	5,411	9,238	13,393	254
Aug07	5,494	**3,552**	1,396	390	431	5,412	9,950	13,765	234
Sep07	4,371	**4,366**	1,196	493	274	5,433	9,257	12,871	226
Oct07	4,544	**3,236**	1,533	732	258	5,419	9,581	13,482	222
Nov07	4,193	**2,704**	1,178	326	415	5,559	9,278	13,256	229
Dec07	3,049	**1,846**	953	452	181	5,502	8,813	14,888	263
Avg./Sum	71,430	38,477	15,730	6,495	3,925	65,593	109,681	165,594	241
Jan08	4,021	**2,320**	1,044	407	330	5,638	9,118	14,843	347
Feb08	4,601	**1,988**	1,367	589	303	5,594	8,452	13,506	424
Mar08	5,360	**4,224**	1,012	332	244	5,498	9,302	13,773	314
Apr08	5,996	**2,260**	1,338	447	267	5,787	8,582	12,981	70
May08	5,958	**2,762**	1,416	523	381	6,074	8,414	13,009	52
Jun08	6,030	**1,649**	1,260	433	409	6,335	8,672	12,329	136
Jul08	5,754	**2,184**	1,180	441	296	6,344	9,546	12,999	250
Aug08	5,031	**1,712**	929	315	240	6,106	9,615	12,887	259
Sep09	5,182	**1,881**	1,053	275	352	6,343	8,999	12,297	241
Oct08	3,840	**1,885**	861	319	276	5,843	9,232	12,833	263
Nov08	2,744	**1,431**	1,005	451	285	5,510	9,316	12,419	237
Dec08	1,882	**1,099**	675	186	272	4,980	9,438	13,787	236
Avg./Sum	56,399	25,395	13,141	4,719	3,657	70,053	108,685	157,664	236
Jan09	2,195	**930**	496	161	220	4,991	9,264	14,213	263
Feb09	3,231	**658**	453	177	155	4,906	**8,755**	**12,582**	238
Mar09	4,115	**702**	709	241	299	**4,688**	**9,355**	**13,215**	108
Apr09	5,251	**873**	791	328	242	**4,476**	**8,574**	**12,274**	41
May09	6,235	**1,063**	**1,153**	**634**	**243**	**4,451**			32
Jun09	**7,368**	**1,591**	**945**	**450**	**255**	**4,466**			59
Jul09		**1,501**							**85**
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	Energy Prices		International	Bankruptcies		Incorporations		International
	WTI Crude (US$/barrel)	Gas (C$/GJ)	Exports ($000,000)	Business (#)	Consumer (#)	Alberta (#)	Non-Alberta (#)	Travellers (#, direct entries)**
1999	19.24	2.35	34,717	1,553	8,782	22,762	1,786	874,620
2000	30.20	4.27	55,495	1,709	8,847	27,001	1,970	880,729
2001	25.90	5.12	57,061	1,688	8,121	27,907	1,955	845,325
2002	26.09	3.68	48,931	1,998	8,234	28,141	2,001	826,384
2003	31.04	5.81	57,044	1,636	9,160	30,680	1,891	806,307
2004	41.40	5.98	63,688	1,565	8,719	32,276	2,041	913,320
2005	56.56	7.87	**76,280**	1,194	7,542	38,038	2,284	906,714
Jan06	65.54	9.52	7,382	93	508	3,794	224	41,621
Feb06	62.01	7.38	6,325	59	442	3,505	195	41,959
Mar06	62.97	6.47	6,374	61	521	4,081	250	54,273
Apr06	70.16	6.18	5,826	73	481	3,654	176	45,451
May06	70.96	5.71	6,211	76	490	4,236	232	72,583
Jun06	70.97	5.29	6,312	68	472	4,081	214	115,760
Jul06	74.46	5.22	6,535	33	376	3,370	214	142,737
Aug06	73.08	5.84	6,734	46	429	3,813	226	117,071
Sep06	63.76	5.12	6,164	36	412	3,876	226	83,324
Oct06	59.14	4.40	6,228	53	424	3,923	252	56,750
Nov06	59.47	6.51	6,757	30	388	3,708	270	41,909
Dec06	62.08	7.05	6,896	37	309	3,486	201	68,185
Avg./Sum	66.22	6.22	77,744	666	5,248	45,527	2,680	881,623
Jan07	54.35	6.27	7,135	35	438	4,146	211	45,899
Feb07	59.39	6.82	6,396	58	365	3,582	244	48,882
Mar07	60.74	6.92	6,975	46	423	4,374	273	58,061
Apr07	64.04	6.74	6,485	47	390	3,945	220	51,057
May07	63.53	6.61	6,249	51	431	4,461	276	76,928
Jun07	67.53	6.21	7,168	29	435	4,009	271	122,878
Jul07	74.30	5.43	6,630	39	359	3,570	236	157,136
Aug07	72.36	4.81	6,994	32	415	3,629	223	129,785
Sep07	79.63	4.42	6,280	34	361	3,455	209	94,685
Oct07	85.66	4.96	6,798	22	420	3,885	258	60,811
Nov07	94.63	5.54	7,087	29	437	3,622	268	43,170
Dec07	91.74	5.85	7,677	27	294	3,242	182	64,645
Avg./Sum	72.32	5.88	81,873	449	4,768	45,920	2,871	953,937
Jan08	92.93	6.19	8,650	33	433	4,008	253	47,123
Feb08	95.35	6.72	8,335	39	409	3,362	263	49,943
Mar08	105.32	7.52	8,927	38	476	3,650	214	61,154
Apr08	112.46	8.11	9,224	37	458	3,955	244	51,448
May08	125.46	8.92	8,625	28	455	3,616	270	76,685
Jun08	134.04	9.81	9,328	55	505	3,524	266	121,766
Jul08	133.93	9.84	11,228	37	457	3,405	244	154,122
Aug08	116.69	7.35	10,613	38	514	2,999	199	128,289
Sep08	103.40	6.28	9,479	32	526	3,450	239	90,442
Oct08	76.72	6.27	9,748	35	632	3,374	229	59,701
Nov08	57.61	6.25	8,457	45	595	2,609	203	47,030
Dec08	42.04	6.36	7,477	30	606	2,756	183	66,545
Avg./Sum	99.66	7.47	110,090	447	6,066	40,708	2,807	954,248
Jan09	41.92	5.77	6,288	39	696	2,926	205	47,573
Feb09	39.21	4.66	5,804	44	706	2,354	213	48,459
Mar09	48.06	4.01	5,661	31	951	2,680	199	53,224
Apr09	49.95	3.41	**5,410**	24	838	2,760	194	52,593
May09	59.21	3.13	**4,954**	34	847	2,509	191	**72,353**
Jun09	**69.70**	**2.97**	**5,603**	**33**	**1,021**	2,978	212	
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	Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)					Exchange Rates		Prime Rates	
	Alberta	Shelter	Energy	Edmonton	Calgary	(Cdn$/US$)	(Cdn$/EURO)	Canada (%)	U.S. (%)
1999	91.4	91.3	84.5	92.1	90.8	1.4857	1.5853	6.44	8.02
2000	94.5	96.9	102.0	95.1	94.1	1.4854	1.3704	7.27	9.27
2001	96.7	99.3	102.2	97.2	96.4	1.5489	1.3872	5.81	6.79
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.5706	1.4838	4.21	4.67
2003	104.4	108.1	119.2	105.3	103.5	1.4010	1.5823	4.69	4.13
2004	105.9	109.8	123.8	106.4	105.3	1.3013	1.6169	4.00	4.38
2005	108.1	113.5	136.2	108.6	107.4	1.2114	1.5085	4.42	6.23
Jan06	110.4	120.8	148.4	110.6	109.9	1.1573	1.4032	5.25	7.25
Feb06	109.7	117.7	132.8	110.1	108.9	1.1489	1.3716	5.25	7.50
Mar06	110.3	118.0	135.9	110.6	109.5	1.1574	1.3921	5.50	7.75
Apr06	111.4	120.6	148.8	111.4	110.9	1.1438	1.4046	5.75	7.75
May06	112.2	121.9	149.7	112.1	112.0	1.1095	1.4159	6.00	8.00
Jun06	111.8	120.4	136.7	111.6	111.7	1.1138	1.4101	6.00	8.00
Jul06	113.4	126.1	154.3	112.8	113.6	1.1292	1.4318	6.00	8.25
Aug06	113.9	126.3	154.1	113.0	114.4	1.1183	1.4321	6.00	8.25
Sep06	114.1	131.2	145.6	113.2	114.7	1.1162	1.4199	6.00	8.25
Oct06	113.0	129.7	131.0	112.2	113.5	1.1286	1.4239	6.00	8.25
Nov06	113.7	131.8	135.2	113.0	114.2	1.1362	1.4650	6.00	8.25
Dec06	114.2	133.6	139.3	113.5	114.7	1.1530	1.5230	6.00	8.25
Avg./Sum	112.3	124.8	142.7	112.0	112.3	1.1343	1.4244	5.81	7.98
Jan07	114.7	134.3	141.1	113.9	115.0	1.1759	1.5275	6.00	8.25
Feb07	115.0	133.8	137.4	114.2	115.6	1.1707	1.5315	6.00	8.25
Mar07	116.4	135.8	149.8	115.7	116.7	1.1682	1.5473	6.00	8.25
Apr07	117.5	138.0	157.2	117.0	117.6	1.1343	1.5333	6.00	8.25
May07	117.8	135.9	152.8	117.1	117.6	1.0949	1.4801	6.00	8.25
Jun07	118.8	140.0	159.2	118.6	118.6	1.0652	1.4295	6.00	8.25
Jul07	119.1	140.6	160.8	118.8	119.1	1.0503	1.4417	6.25	8.25
Aug07	119.3	143.8	161.7	119.1	119.3	1.0582	1.4410	6.25	8.25
Sep07	119.4	143.1	158.3	119.1	119.3	1.0254	1.4273	6.25	7.75
Oct07	118.6	144.5	150.8	118.3	118.7	0.9752	1.3882	6.25	7.50
Nov07	119.1	145.3	154.1	118.8	118.6	0.9671	1.4202	6.25	7.50
Dec07	118.9	145.4	153.0	118.6	119.0	1.0030	1.4607	6.00	7.25
Avg./Sum	117.9	116.9	153.0	117.4	117.9	1.0740	1.4690	6.10	8.00
Jan08	118.8	146.0	155.3	118.5	118.9	1.0111	1.4877	5.75	6.00
Feb08	119.0	146.4	155.2	118.7	119.1	0.9991	1.4738	5.75	6.00
Mar08	119.8	147.9	162.6	119.5	120.0	1.0020	1.5556	5.25	5.25
Apr08	121.3	150.9	176.7	121.2	121.2	1.0139	1.5972	4.75	5.25
May08	122.2	151.6	184.6	121.9	122.3	0.9994	1.5555	4.75	5.00
Jun08	124.0	156.0	204.6	123.7	123.9	1.0167	1.5821	4.75	5.00
Jul08	123.3	152.8	194.5	123.6	123.0	1.0127	1.5955	4.75	5.00
Aug08	124.1	156.9	201.6	123.6	124.4	1.0543	1.5734	4.75	5.00
Sep09	122.8	150.0	179.7	122.3	123.1	1.0583	1.5170	4.75	5.00
Oct08	121.5	149.7	161.3	121.3	121.8	1.1848	1.5688	4.00	4.50
Nov08	121.6	151.6	148.7	121.4	122.0	1.2182	1.5529	4.00	4.00
Dec08	121.2	153.0	142.7	121.0	121.8	1.2345	1.6635	3.50	3.25
Avg./Sum	121.6	116.9	172.3	121.4	121.8	1.0671	1.5603	4.73	4.94
Jan09	120.2	150.3	135.7	120.2	120.7	1.2263	1.6230	3.00	3.25
Feb09	121.5	151.8	146.5	121.5	121.9	1.2451	1.5929	3.00	3.25
Mar09	120.9	148.6	137.4	120.9	121.3	1.2645	1.7910	2.50	3.25
Apr09	120.4	146.3	131.2	120.5	120.8	1.2240	1.8010	2.25	3.25
May09	121.4	145.8	133.5	121.6	121.5	1.1509	1.7767	2.25	3.25
Jun09	**122.0**	**146.1**	**137.4**	**122.2**	**122.1**	1.1265	1.5785	2.25	3.25
Jul09						**1.1223**	**1.5820**	**2.25**	**3.25**
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